

Introduction – this newsletter covers recent publications and student achievements – pictures from Graduation, farewells to old professors, hello to new offspring.

In this newsletter:

- Graduation 2017
- Student and Staff Achievements
- Conferences and Events
- National Student Survey results
- Staff Departures
- New medical Apps to use on your device
- Welcome to a new academic year

Graduation 2017

Lots of smiling faces to be seen on the day, which started with the Promise Ceremony - Bath got the best Academy award – or at least Mo and Cath did – and lots of other prizes to students and staff.

At the promise ceremony, the following students were awarded prizes:

John Farndon Prize: **Asma Ali**

Steven Webber Prize Top Student across the MBChB Programme: **Silas Webb**

Best Faculty Elective Bursary Report: **Grace Pearson**

David Rayner Prize Best Performance in RHCN: **Emma Hunt**

Outstanding Student RHCN Examination: **Emma Hunt**

RCOG Prize Best Elective Proposal: **Jenny Bowker**

Alfred Best RHCN SSC: **Jemma Shanley**

Dame Carol Black Highest Ranked Grad Entry: **Darcy Hall**

Peter Dunn Perinatal Prize: **Rebecca Squires**

Dean's Prize Music, Art & Drama: **Nikhita Shrimanker**

Here are some of the photos - if you want to see more, James Lepoittevin can give you access.



The many faces of graduation

Student Achievements

Why do we put these in the newsletter? To encourage you to add to all this!

Anjali Patel, who has just completed her Health Sciences degree, presented her project abstract at the UK Bone Research Society conference last week (9th-11th July Liverpool), title '**Do alterations in hip shape explain the increased risk of hip osteoarthritis in individuals with High Bone Mass?**'. She had already been awarded a new investigators' prize prior to the conference for her abstract submission, but she was further awarded the prize for 'best oral presentation' at the whole conference.

Dom Mahoney, Bristol medical student, took part in the fifth National Undergraduate Neuroanatomy Competition at the University of Southampton (8 Apr 2017) and received a distinction award.

<https://twitter.com/NatNeuroComp/status/856785925975756800>

Katie Lloyd a final year Bristol medical student did an oral presentation entitled, '**How to tackle**

'Neurophobia': a student led approach' at the International Joint Summer Meeting of the British & European Associations of Clinical Anatomists at the University of Warwick, 4-6 Jul 2017. Katie was awarded one of the two Conrad Lewin prizes for BACA members, for best oral presentation by an early career anatomist at the conference.



Domestic Violence and O&G

Chantal Cox-George, who graduated in 2016, presented this work at the ASME National Conference in 2016 and won a prize for it, has now published this paper in an O&G journal, together with colleagues in Swindon Academy.



New offspring

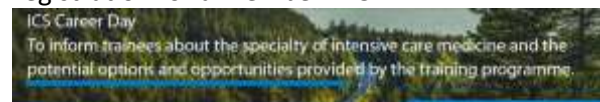
A slightly different student achievement should be noted for Hardeep Sahota, who graduated in July 2017. He and his wife attended the ceremony and drinks afterwards. Those of you who attended would have noted her advanced stage of pregnancy. She delivered a little girl a week later, just before Hardeep was due to start his first days as a FY1 doctor. Well done to them both, gaining the accolade of having the first child born to the 2017 graduating class. Her name is Aasees Kaur Sahota and here is a picture.

Staff achievements

Dr Matthew Boissaud-Cooke, one of last year's anatomy demonstrators, attended the International Joint Summer Meeting of the British & European Associations of Clinical Anatomists at the University of Warwick, 4-6 Jul 2017 and presented a paper '**A 5-year update on 'Bridging the Gap': Bristol's applied anatomy revision training days for Foundation Doctors'**'. Matthew was awarded the BACA 40th Anniversary prize for best oral presentation by an early career anatomist at the conference. Well done to him!

Conferences and Events upcoming

Are you interested in a career in intensive care medicine, or ever thought about it? Here is a single day event on it as a career - in London (WC1R 4SG) on October 12th. Register at www.ics.ac.uk - cheapest student cost is membership fee £35 + registration for a member £25.



PROGRAMME

09:45 - 10:00	REGISTRATION
10:00 - 10:05	Introduction and welcome
AM Session	Background Information Regarding Intensive Care Medicine Training + Specialty
10:05 - 10:35	The evolution of a new speciality: past, present and future // Dr Arina Batschelski, Dean of Faculty Intensive Care Medicine
10:35 - 11:05	'ICM is the best job in the entire world ever as a Generalist' // Dr Chris Thomas, Consultant Intensive Care
11:05 - 11:35	'So all you can be... Thinking about applications early' // Dr Lisa Neuling, Training Programme Director
11:35 - 12:05	ICM: A suitable job for a woman // Dr Rachel Huslett, Consultant in ICM
12:05 - 12:15	Questions
12:15 - 13:00	LUNCH
PM Session	Maintaining balance as an ICM trainee/ Consultant
13:00 - 13:30	Single CCT in ICM - The Future? // Dr Tim Fudge, Consultant in ICM
13:30 - 14:00	Wellbeing in Staff in ICM // Dr Seoun Okunnes, Clinical Fellow in ICM

Would you like to be involved in 'hot', cutting edge research at the University of Bristol?

We are recruiting healthy volunteers to take part in a study looking at activation of pain sensing nerves in the skin. The purpose of the study is to better understand how nerves convert skin temperature changes into action potential signals to the spinal cord and brain.

The study involves Bristol Anaesthetists measuring your nerve activity by inserting a small acupuncture-like needle into your common peroneal nerve.

During the recording, we will heat and cool a small patch of skin on your leg whilst electrically stimulating these single nerve fibres.

Come and check out your own neurophysiology whilst being reimbursed for your time (£10/hr).

If you are interested in taking part or receiving more information regarding the study, please contact Dr Jim Dunham (james.p.dunham@bristol.ac.uk). There is no obligation to participate in the study and you are free to withdraw at any time. We look forward to hearing from you.

Annual programme review

Annual Programme Review, an opportunity to get an overall perspective on how the medical programme works and how changes are reported, was held on September 12th papers will be available shortly.

New apps

New BNF and BNFC apps are now available to download to your favoured device. There are more details about them here:

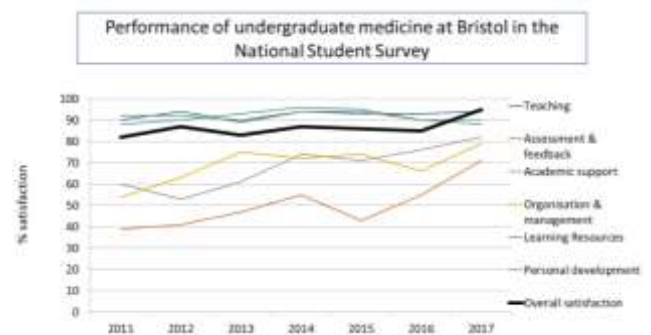
https://www.nice.org.uk/news/article/new-improved-bnf-and-bnfc-app-launched?utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter&utm_campaign=bnf&bnfclaunch17

The National Student Survey results 2017

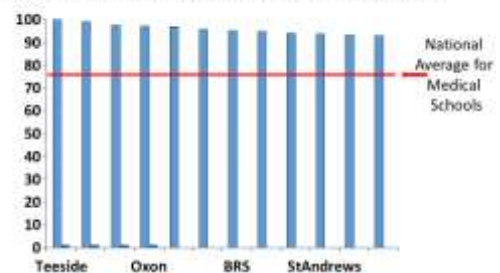
The 2017 results for the NSS are published this week. Bristol Medical School has done very well this year and we are delighted to say that the Undergraduate medical programme scored 95% satisfaction, which leads to the school being ranked 7th in the country for overall satisfaction. That should

be followed by fireworks but we couldn't find a way to make that happen electronically. Below is a summary slide and our position relative to others. Fuller details are available on the University's website

<https://www.bris.ac.uk/esu/ug/nss/uob-only/?ticket=ST-33523090-LAYg73pfCIXiPdk6LDdM-nAC1004092095>



Universities ranked by NSS overall satisfaction



Central team - Change of staff

Having been director of the undergraduate medical programme since 2009, Prof David Cahill has stepped down from that role, allowing Dr Andrew Blythe, presently Lead for Assessments, to take on the mantle.

At the promise ceremony prior to the 2017 graduation, Chloe de Souza and her fellow Galenicals officers, took the stage and presented a light-hearted and well researched tribute to Prof Cahill. He was unprepared for this, and lived to tell

the day. Below is one slide, showing his artistic side!



Introduction to the new academic year, and all it brings – from Eugene Lloyd.

The start of the new academic year is a time of excitement and invigoration as we welcome you, whether you're a seasoned returner or a new entrant, to the community of Bristol Medical School. For the next four years we will be delivering two curricula contemporaneously. In 2017/18 year 1 students will study the MB21 curriculum and students in years 2-5 will study the MB16 curriculum both leading to the award of exactly the same medical degree (MB ChB). Bristol has a long tradition of graduating doctors that excel in their careers and our role continues to be to challenge and nurture your capabilities in a safe, supportive and effective learning environment.

It has taken over two years of work to develop the MB21 curriculum and has involved staff from across two faculties, our academies and primary care. It has been done in close consultation with students, patients, the General Medical Council and the Foundation school. Students in years 2-5 will benefit from the MB21 innovations including the introduction of assistantships in year 5, the refurbishment of small group collaborative rooms adjacent to lecture theatre 1.4 and the use of Microsoft Surface Hubs for collaborative learning across all our academies.

At the heart of MB21 is the tried-and-tested (i.e. evidence based) methodology of Case Based Learning (CBL) which is fundamentally different to

Problem Based Learning (PBL). CBL is a form of exploratory learning with students working in teams, each guided by a staff facilitator, to solve problems and examine the human body, mind and populations from multiple perspectives in order to develop a deeper understanding. The facilitation sessions are supported by lectures, practicals and workshops.

We have established a new management structure to ensure the effective organisation, management and delivery of the MB ChB programme. There are channels for you to provide feedback about your course through your student representatives and our Student Staff Liaison Committees. You are also very welcome to provide feedback or voice any concerns to your year lead(s) or coordinator and sometimes a chat over the phone or a face to face is much more productive than an email and less prone to misunderstandings!

Further information on MB21 can be found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/bristoluniversity/videos/vb.120971044580020/1533989836611460/?type=2&theater>

Finally

Do you have something to share? Send it to susan.pettinger-moores@bristol.ac.uk

